

General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 95

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LCO No. 1011



Referred to Committee on ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

**GOVERNMENT** 

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP AND NAME OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE SUPERIOR COURT ON HOUSING SESSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 47a-71a of the 2014 supplement to the general
- 2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 3 (*Effective July 1, 2014*):
- 4 There is hereby created [an] the Connecticut Advisory Council [to
- 5 the Superior Court] on Housing [Session] Matters consisting of
- 6 [twelve] <u>eighteen</u> members. The members of the <u>advisory</u> council shall
- 7 be appointed by the Governor for terms of four years, from July first of
- 8 the year of their appointment. The <u>advisory</u> council shall consist of
- 9 representatives of tenants, landlords, and others concerned with
- 10 housing and shall reflect a balance of the interests of tenants and
- 11 landlords. The members of the advisory council shall elect their own
- 12 [chairman] <u>chairperson</u>. [Three] <u>Five</u> members shall be residents of the
- 13 judicial districts of Hartford or New Britain; [three] five members shall
- 14 be residents of the judicial districts of New Haven, Waterbury or

- 15 Ansonia-Milford; [three] five members shall be residents of the judicial
- 16 districts of Fairfield or Stamford-Norwalk; and three members shall be
- 17 residents of the judicial districts of Danbury, Litchfield, Middlesex,
- 18 New London, Tolland or Windham. Any member who fails to attend
- 19 three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all
- 20 meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have
- 21 resigned from office. Any vacancy in the membership of the advisory
- 22 council shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired portion of the
- 23 term.
- 24 Sec. 2. Section 47a-73 of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes
- 25 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
- 26 1, 2014):
- 27 The judges hearing housing matters and the <u>Connecticut</u> Advisory
- 28 Council [to the Superior Court] on Housing [Session] Matters shall
- 29 each [make] submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of
- 30 section 11-4a, with respect to the operation of the special docket for
- 31 housing matters and their respective recommendations to the General
- 32 Assembly at the opening of its regular sessions in the odd-numbered
- 33 years. Such reports may also include recommendations for legislation
- 34 with respect to housing matters.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2014	47a-71a
Sec. 2	July 1, 2014	47a-73

GAE Joint Favorable